Демонстрационный вариант и методические рекомендации по направлению «Политический анализ и публичная политика»

Профиль: «Политический анализ и публичная политика / Political Analysis and Public Policy»

КОД – 240

Время выполнения задания – 180 мин.

Write an essay (in English) about the policy issue covered in the provided materials. Use the guidelines below to demonstrate your understanding of the policy issue, the policy process, and professional terminology of public policy. Provide an analytical perspective on the issue; use both the information provided and your personal knowledge and experience.

Materials provided: #1, #2, ...

Guidelines for writing an essay:

- 1. Identify the **public policy problem** on the basis of your personal knowledge and the information provided. What does the recent prominence of the policy problem tell us about the intersection of politics and policy in modern Russia? Describe why it has the prominence it currently does?
- 2. Identify the **relevant public policy**. What role does this policy play in the contemporary **policy process** of the country? In what way does it influence other policies?
- 3. List the **actors** interested in solving the described public policy problem. Identify these actors' interests and motivation, their goals, and resources.
- 4. Who are the **stakeholders** of this policy and why?
- 5. Identify the **policy alternatives** and compare their advantages and disadvantages for the main stakeholders. Which policy option is preferable overall and why?

Evaluation Criteria

Evaluation criteria	Grade
General scope and coverage of the essay: how many questions are answered; how elaborate are the answers?	0 - 40
Analytical component of the essay: critical thinking; ability to analyze the materials; ability to identify causal relationships.	0 - 30
Public policy perspective on the subject: the usage and understanding of the terms, concepts, and analytical frameworks of public policy.	0 - 30
FINAL GRADE	0 - 100

Reading recommendations for preparation:

- 1. Howlett, M., Ramesh, M., & Perl, A. (2009). Studying Public Policy: Policy Cycles and Policy Subsystems. Toronto: Oxford University Press.
- 2. John, P. (2012). Analyzing Public Policy (Routledge Textbooks in Policy Studies) (2nd ed.). Routledge.
- 3. Dodds A. (2013). Comparative Public Policy. Palgrave Macmillan.
- 4. Morse, K., & Struyk, R. (2006). Policy Analysis for Effective Development. Lynne Rienner Publishers, Inc.
- 5. Freeman, M. (2011). Human Rights. Cambridge: Polity Press.